STATE of WISCONSIN



Proclamation

WHEREAS; tornadoes have the potential to pose a great risk to the safety of everyone in Wisconsin and can cause great devastation to public and private property; and

WHEREAS; severe thunderstorms can produce powerful wind gusts, large hail, flood-producing heavy rains, and dangerous lightning, which pose a threat to the safety and property of all Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin averages 23 tornadoes each year; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin had 28 confirmed tornadoes in 2019, including a weather system July 18-20 that produced 17 tornadoes – causing significant damage to homes, buildings, and natural areas and leaving thousands without power; and

WHEREAS; tornadoes, severe storms, flooding, and strong winds have caused hundreds of millions of dollars in damage to homes, businesses, and local government infrastructure in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin residents are participating in a virtual tornado drill at 1:45 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2020, during which they are encouraged to discuss preparedness with their families; and

WHEREAS; it is essential that we increase awareness of the dangers of severe weather hazards as well as the protective actions which all Wisconsinites can take;

NOW THERE FORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 13 – 17, 2020, as

TORNADO & SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK

throughous he see of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our state's residents.

By Governor:

Secretary of State

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this 30th day of March 2020.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR